

# REAL ANALYTICITY OF SOLUTIONS TO SCHRÖDINGER EQUATIONS INVOLVING A FRACTIONAL LAPLACIAN AND OTHER FOURIER MULTIPLIERS

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ABSTRACT. We prove analyticity of solutions to certain nonlocal linear Schrödinger equations with analytic potentials.

## 1. INTRODUCTION, RESULT, AND PROOF.

In [1], we proved the real analyticity away from the Coulomb singularity of atomic pseudorelativistic Hartree-Fock orbitals. The proof works for solutions to a variety of equations (see [1, Remark 1.2]), in particular, any  $H^{1/2}$ -solution  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  to the non-linear equation

$$(\sqrt{-\Delta + 1})\varphi - \frac{Z}{|\cdot|}\varphi \pm (|\varphi|^2 * |\cdot|^{-1})\varphi = \lambda\varphi \quad (1)$$

is real analytic away from  $\mathbf{x} = 0$ . The emphasis in [1] was on the Coulomb singularity  $|\cdot|^{-1}$  and on the Hartree-term  $(|\varphi|^2 * |\cdot|^{-1})\varphi$ . However, the result holds for much more general potentials  $V$  than  $|\cdot|^{-1}$ . We state and prove this in the linear case here (referring to [1] for certain technical points of the proof).

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  be an open set, and assume  $V : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is real analytic in  $\Omega$ , that is,  $V \in C^\omega(\Omega)$ . Let  $s \in [1/2, 1]$ ,  $m > 0$ , or  $s = 1/2, m = 0$ , and assume  $\varphi \in H^{2s}(\mathbb{R}^3)$  is a solution to*

$$E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})\varphi := (-\Delta + m)^s\varphi = V\varphi \quad \text{in } \mathbb{R}^3. \quad (2)$$

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Assume furthermore that  $V \in L^t(\mathbb{R}^3) + L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^3)$  with

$$\begin{cases} t = 3/4s & \text{if } s \in [1/2, 3/4), \\ t > 1 & \text{if } s = 3/4, \\ t = 1 & \text{if } s \in (3/4, 1). \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Then  $\varphi \in C^\omega(\Omega)$ , that is,  $\varphi$  is real analytic in  $\Omega$ .

**Remark 1.2.** In the case  $s = 1$ , the result is well-known, and no integrability condition on  $V$  is needed, the equation being local in this case. The integrability conditions on  $V$  seem unnecessary, but are needed for our method to work (see (27) and after). Note that if  $V \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^3)$  for some  $p \in [1, \infty)$ , then  $V \in L^q(\mathbb{R}^3) + L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^3)$  for all  $q \in [1, p]$ . As in [1] our proof is based on the classical proof by Morrey and Nirenberg (see [2]). In order to deal with the non-locality we use the localization result in Lemma A.1 and the analytic smoothing estimate in Lemma A.2 in the Appendix below (for more details see [1, after Remark 1.4]).

To prove Theorem 1.1, it suffices (using Sobolev embedding) to prove the following proposition (for details, see [1, after Proposition 2.1]. Note that in the linear case, it suffices to work in  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$ .)

**Proposition 1.3.** *Let the assumptions be as in Theorem 1.1. Let  $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \Omega$ ,  $R = \min\{1, \text{dist}(\mathbf{x}_0, \Omega^c)/4\}$ , and  $\omega = B_R(\mathbf{x}_0) (\subset\subset \Omega)$ . Define  $\omega_\delta = B_{R-\delta}(\mathbf{x}_0)$  for  $\delta > 0$ .*

*Then there exist constants  $C, B > 1$  such that for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ , and for all  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $\epsilon j \leq R/2$ , we have*

$$\epsilon^{|\beta|} \|D^\beta \varphi\|_{L^2(\omega_{\epsilon j})} \leq C B^{|\beta|} \quad \text{for all } \beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^3 \text{ with } |\beta| \leq j. \quad (4)$$

*Proof.* This is by induction. For  $j \in \mathbb{N}_0$  (and constants  $C, B > 1$  to be determined below), let  $\mathcal{P}(j)$  be the statement: For all  $\epsilon > 0$  with  $\epsilon j \leq R/2$  we have

$$\epsilon^{|\beta|} \|D^\beta \varphi\|_{L^2(\omega_{\epsilon j})} \leq C B^{|\beta|} \quad \text{for all } \beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^3 \text{ with } |\beta| \leq j. \quad (5)$$

Choosing  $C \geq \|\varphi\|_{H^1(\mathbb{R}^3)}$  and  $B > 1$  ensures that both  $\mathcal{P}(0)$  and  $\mathcal{P}(1)$  hold (since  $s \in [1/2, 1)$ , and  $\epsilon \leq R/2 \leq 1$  for  $j = 1$ ). The induction hypothesis is: Let  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $j \geq 1$ . Then  $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{j})$  holds for all  $\tilde{j} \leq j$ . We now prove that  $\mathcal{P}(j+1)$  holds. By the definition of  $\omega_\delta$  and the induction hypothesis, it suffices to study  $\beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^3$  with  $|\beta| = j+1$ . It therefore remains to prove that

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon^{|\beta|} \|D^\beta \varphi\|_{L^2(\omega_{\epsilon(j+1)})} &\leq C B^{|\beta|} \quad \text{for all } \epsilon > 0 \text{ with } \epsilon(j+1) \leq R/2 \\ &\text{and all } \beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^3 \text{ with } |\beta| = j+1. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Let  $\epsilon$  and  $\beta$  be as in (6). It is convenient to write, for  $\ell > 0$ ,  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $\epsilon\ell \leq R/2$ , and  $\sigma \in \mathbb{N}_0^3$  with  $0 < |\sigma| \leq j$ ,

$$\|D^\sigma \varphi\|_{L^2(\omega_{\epsilon\ell})} = \|D^\sigma \varphi\|_{L^2(\omega_{\tilde{\epsilon}\tilde{j}})} \quad \text{with} \quad \tilde{\epsilon} = \frac{\epsilon\ell}{|\sigma|}, \quad \tilde{j} = |\sigma|,$$

so that, by the induction hypothesis (applied on the term with  $\tilde{\epsilon}$  and  $\tilde{j}$ ) we get that

$$\|D^\sigma \varphi\|_{L^2(\omega_{\epsilon\ell})} \leq C \left( \frac{B}{\tilde{\epsilon}} \right)^{|\sigma|} = C \left( \frac{|\sigma|}{\ell} \right)^{|\sigma|} \left( \frac{B}{\epsilon} \right)^{|\sigma|}. \quad (7)$$

Compare this with (5). With the convention that  $0^0 = 1$ , (7) also holds for  $|\sigma| = 0$ .

Inverting the equation (2) when  $m > 0$ , we have (in  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$ )

$$\varphi = E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} V \varphi. \quad (8)$$

For the case  $s = 1/2, m = 0$ ,

$$\varphi = [(-\Delta)^{1/2} + 1]^{-1} \tilde{V} \varphi =: \tilde{E}_{1/2,0}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} \tilde{V} \varphi, \quad (9)$$

with  $\tilde{V} = V + 1 \in L^t(\mathbb{R}^3) + L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^3)$ . Note that  $1 \in C^\omega(\mathbb{R}^3)$ .

We choose a function  $\Phi$  (depending on  $j$ ) satisfying

$$\Phi \in C_0^\infty(\omega_{\epsilon(j+3/4)}), \quad 0 \leq \Phi \leq 1, \quad \text{with} \quad \Phi \equiv 1 \quad \text{on} \quad \omega_{\epsilon(j+1)}. \quad (10)$$

Then  $\|\Phi D^\beta \varphi\|_{L^2(\omega_{\epsilon(j+1)})} \leq \|\Phi D^\beta \varphi\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)} =: \|\Phi D^\beta \varphi\|_2$ . The estimate (6)—and hence, by induction, the proof of Proposition 1.3—now follows from (8) and (9) and the following lemma.  $\square$

**Lemma 1.4.** *Assume the induction hypothesis described above holds. Let  $\Phi$  be as in (10). Then for all  $\epsilon > 0$  with  $\epsilon(j+1) \leq R/2$ , and all  $\beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^3$  with  $|\beta| = j+1$ ,  $\Phi D^\beta E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} V \varphi$  belongs to  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$ , and*

$$\|\Phi D^\beta E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} V \varphi\|_2 \leq C \left( \frac{B}{\epsilon} \right)^{|\beta|}, \quad (11)$$

where  $C, B > 1$  are the constants in (5). The same holds for  $\Phi \tilde{E}_{1/2,0}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} \tilde{V} \varphi$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\sigma \in \mathbb{N}_0^3$  and  $\nu \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  be such that  $\beta = \sigma + e_\nu$ , so that  $D^\beta = D_\nu D^\sigma$ . Notice that  $|\sigma| = j$ . Choose localization functions  $\{\chi_k\}_{k=0}^j$  and  $\{\eta_k\}_{k=0}^j$  as described in the Appendix below. Since  $V \varphi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$ , and  $E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}$  maps  $H^r(\mathbb{R}^3)$  to  $H^{r+2s}(\mathbb{R}^3)$  for all  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

Lemma A.1 below (with  $\ell = j$ ) implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi D^\beta E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}[V\varphi] &= \sum_{k=0}^j \Phi D_\nu E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D^{\beta_k} \chi_k D^{\sigma-\beta_k}[V\varphi] \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} \Phi D_\nu E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D^{\beta_k} [\eta_k, D^{\mu_k}] D^{\sigma-\beta_{k+1}}[V\varphi] \\ &\quad + \Phi D_\nu E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D^\sigma [\eta_j V\varphi], \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

as an identity in  $H^{-|\beta|+2s}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ . Similarly for  $\tilde{E}_{1/2,0}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}$ . Here,  $[\cdot, \cdot]$  denotes the commutator. Also,  $|\beta_k| = k$ ,  $|\mu_k| = 1$ , and  $0 \leq \eta_k, \chi_k \leq 1$ . (For the support properties of  $\eta_k, \chi_k$ , see the Appendix.) We will prove that each term on the right side of (12) belong to  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$ , and bound their norms. The proof of (11) will follow by summing these bounds.

*The first sum in (12).* Let  $\theta_k$  be the characteristic function of the support of  $\chi_k$  (which is contained in  $\omega$ ). We can estimate, for  $k \in \{0, \dots, j\}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Phi D_\nu E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D^{\beta_k} \chi_k D^{\sigma-\beta_k}[V\varphi]\|_2 &= \|(\Phi E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D_\nu D^{\beta_k} \chi_k) \theta_k D^{\sigma-\beta_k}[V\varphi]\|_2 \\ &\leq \|\Phi E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D_\nu D^{\beta_k} \chi_k\|_{\mathcal{B}} \|\theta_k D^{\sigma-\beta_k}[V\varphi]\|_2. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Here,  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{B}}$  is the operator norm on the bounded operators on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^3)$ .

For  $k = 0$ , the first factor on the right side of (13) can be estimated using the spectral theorem, since  $s \in [1/2, 1)$ . This way, since  $\|\chi_0\|_\infty = \|\Phi\|_\infty = 1$ ,

$$\|\Phi E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D_\nu \chi_0\|_{\mathcal{B}} \leq C_s(m). \quad (14)$$

This also holds for  $\tilde{E}_{1/2,0}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}$ .

For  $k > 0$ , the first factor on the right side of (13) can (also for  $\tilde{E}_{1/2,0}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}$ ) be estimated using (38) in Lemma A.2 below (with  $\mathbf{r} = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{q}^* = \mathbf{p} = 2$ ). Since

$$\text{dist}(\text{supp } \chi_k, \text{supp } \Phi) \geq \epsilon(k - 1 + 1/4)$$

and  $\|\chi_k\|_\infty = \|\Phi\|_\infty = 1$ , this gives (since  $(\beta_k + e_\nu)! \leq (|\beta_k| + 1)! = (k + 1)!$ ) that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Phi E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D_\nu D^{\beta_k} \chi_k\|_{\mathcal{B}} &\leq c_s \frac{(k+1)!}{k+1-2s} \left( \frac{8}{\epsilon(k-1+1/4)} \right)^{k+1} [\epsilon(k-1+1/4)]^{2s}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $s \in [1/2, 1)$ , and  $\epsilon(k-1+1/4) \leq \epsilon(j+1) \leq R/2 \leq 1$ , this implies

$$\|\Phi E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D_\nu D^{\beta_k} \chi_k\|_{\mathcal{B}} \leq c_s \frac{32}{2-2s} \left(\frac{8}{\epsilon}\right)^k = \tilde{c}_s \left(\frac{8}{\epsilon}\right)^k. \quad (15)$$

For  $s \in (0, 1/2)$  one does not gain the needed power of  $\epsilon$  here.

It follows from (14) and (15) that, for all  $k \in \{0, \dots, j\}$ ,  $\nu \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ ,

$$\|\Phi E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D_\nu D^{\beta_k} \chi_k\|_{\mathcal{B}} \leq \tilde{C}_s(m) \left(\frac{8}{\epsilon}\right)^k, \quad (16)$$

with  $\tilde{C}_s(m) := \tilde{c}_s + C_s(m)$ .

It remains to estimate the second factor in (13). For this, we employ the analyticity of  $V$ . Let  $A = A(\mathbf{x}_0) \geq 1$  be such that, for all  $\sigma \in \mathbb{N}_0^3$ ,

$$\sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \omega} |D^\sigma V(\mathbf{x})| \leq A^{|\sigma|+1} |\sigma|!. \quad (17)$$

The existence of  $A$  follows from the real analyticity in  $\omega = B_R(\mathbf{x}_0) \subset \subset \Omega$  of  $V$  (see e. g. [3, Proposition 2.2.10]). It follows (since  $\omega_\delta = \emptyset$  for  $\delta \geq 1$ ) that, for all  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}_0$ , and  $\sigma \in \mathbb{N}_0^3$ ,

$$\epsilon^{|\sigma|} \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \omega_{\epsilon\ell}} |D^\sigma V(\mathbf{x})| \leq A^{|\sigma|+1} |\sigma|! \ell^{-|\sigma|}, \quad (18)$$

with  $\omega_{\epsilon\ell} \subseteq \omega$  as in defined in Proposition 1.3.

For  $k = j$ , since  $\beta_j = \sigma$ , we find, by (18) and the choice of  $C$ , that

$$\|\theta_j V \varphi\|_2 \leq \|V\|_{L^\infty(\omega)} \|\varphi\|_{L^2(\omega)} \leq C A. \quad (19)$$

For  $k \in \{0, \dots, j-1\}$  we get, by Leibniz's rule, that

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\theta_k D^{\sigma-\beta_k} [V \varphi]\|_2 \\ & \leq \sum_{\mu \leq \sigma-\beta_k} \binom{\sigma-\beta_k}{\mu} \|\theta_k D^\mu V\|_\infty \|\theta_k D^{\sigma-\beta_k-\mu} \varphi\|_2. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Now,  $\text{supp } \theta_k = \text{supp } \chi_k \subseteq \omega_{\epsilon(j-k+1/4)}$ , so by (18), for all  $\mu \leq \sigma - \beta_k$ ,

$$\|\theta_k D^\mu V\|_\infty \leq \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \omega_{\epsilon(j-k+1/4)}} |D^\mu V(\mathbf{x})| \leq \epsilon^{-|\mu|} A^{|\mu|+1} |\mu|! (j-k)^{-|\mu|}. \quad (21)$$

By the induction hypothesis (in (7)),

$$\begin{aligned} \|\theta_k D^{\sigma-\beta_k-\mu} \varphi\|_2 & \leq \|D^{\sigma-\beta_k-\mu} \varphi\|_{L^2(\omega_{\epsilon(j-k)})} \\ & \leq C \left( \frac{|\sigma - \beta_k - \mu|}{j-k} \right)^{|\sigma-\beta_k-\mu|} \left( \frac{B}{\epsilon} \right)^{|\sigma-\beta_k-\mu|}. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

It follows from (20), (21), and (22) (using that  $|\sigma| = j$ ,  $|\beta_k| = k$ , so  $\sum_{\mu \leq \sigma-\beta_k, |\mu|=m} \binom{\sigma-\beta_k}{\mu} = \binom{\sigma-\beta_k}{m} = \binom{j-k}{m}$ ), and then summing over  $m$

that

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\theta_k D^{\sigma-\beta_k}[V\varphi]\|_2 \\ & \leq CA \left(\frac{B}{\epsilon}\right)^{j-k} \sum_{m=0}^{j-k} \binom{j-k}{m} \frac{m!(j-k-m)^{j-k-m}}{(j-k)^{j-k}} \left(\frac{A}{B}\right)^m. \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

As in [1, (62)], this implies (choosing  $B > 2A$ ), that, for any  $k \in \{0, \dots, j-1\}$ ,

$$\|\theta_k D^{\sigma-\beta_k}[V\varphi]\|_2 \leq CA \left(\frac{B}{\epsilon}\right)^{j-k} \sum_{m=0}^{j-k} \left(\frac{A}{B}\right)^m \leq 2CA \left(\frac{B}{\epsilon}\right)^{j-k}. \quad (24)$$

Note that, by (19), the same estimate holds true if  $k = j$ .

So, from (13), (16), (24), the fact that  $\epsilon \leq 1$  (since  $\epsilon(j+1) \leq R/2 \leq 1/2$ ), and choosing  $B > 16, B > 12A\tilde{C}_s(m)$ , it follows that (also for  $\tilde{E}_{1/2,0}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \sum_{k=0}^j \Phi D_\nu E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D^{\beta_k} \chi_k D^{\sigma-\beta_k}[V\varphi] \right\|_2 \\ & \leq 2CA\tilde{C}_s(m) \left(\frac{B}{\epsilon}\right)^j \sum_{k=0}^j \left(\frac{8}{B}\right)^k \leq C(4A\tilde{C}_s(m)) \left(\frac{B}{\epsilon}\right)^j \leq \frac{C}{3} \left(\frac{B}{\epsilon}\right)^{j+1}. \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

*The second sum in (12).* Note that  $[\eta_k, D^{\mu_k}] = -(D^{\mu_k} \eta_k)$  (recall that  $|\mu_k| = 1$ ). The second sum in (12) is the first one with  $j$  replaced by  $j-1$  and  $\chi_k$  replaced by  $-D^{\mu_k} \eta_k$ . The operator  $D^{\sigma-\beta_{k+1}}$  contains  $(j-1)-k$  derivatives instead of the  $j-k$  in  $D^{\sigma-\beta_k}$ . Then, to control  $D^{\sigma-\beta_{k+1}}[V\varphi_i]$  (with the same method used above for  $D^{\sigma-\beta_k}[V\varphi_i]$ ) we need that  $\text{supp } D^{\mu_k} \eta_k$  is contained in  $\omega_{\epsilon((j-1)-k+1/4)}$ . We have more: as for  $\chi_k$  we have  $\text{supp } D^{\mu_k} \eta_k \subseteq \omega_{\epsilon(j-k+1/4)} \subseteq \omega_{\epsilon((j-1)-k+1/4)}$ . Finally,  $\|D^{\mu_k} \eta_k\|_\infty \leq C_*/\epsilon$ , with  $C_* > 0$  the constant in (34) in the Appendix.

It follows that the second sum in (12) can be estimated as the first one, up to *one* extra factor of  $C_*/\epsilon$  and up to replacing  $j$  by  $j-1$  in the estimate (25). Hence, using that  $\epsilon \leq 1$ , the choice of  $B$  above, and choosing  $B \geq C_*$ , we get that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} \Phi D_\nu E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D^{\beta_k} [\eta_k, D^{\mu_k}] D^{\sigma-\beta_{k+1}}[V\varphi] \right\|_2 \\ & \leq \frac{C_*}{\epsilon} C(4A\tilde{C}_s(m)) \left(\frac{B}{\epsilon}\right)^{j-1} \leq C(4A\tilde{C}_s(m)) \left(\frac{B}{\epsilon}\right)^j \leq \frac{C}{3} \left(\frac{B}{\epsilon}\right)^{j+1}. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

The last term in (12). It remains to study

$$\Phi D^\beta E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}[\eta_j V \varphi] \quad \text{and} \quad \Phi D^\beta \tilde{E}_{1/2,0}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}[\eta_j \tilde{V} \varphi]. \quad (27)$$

Recall that  $\Phi$  is supported in  $\omega_{\epsilon(j+1)}$  and (see Appendix)

$$\text{dist}(\text{supp } \Phi, \text{supp } \eta_j) \geq \epsilon(j+1/4). \quad (28)$$

Recall that  $V \in L^t(\mathbb{R}^3) + L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^3)$  for some  $t$  (see (3)). Again, we use Lemma A.2, this time with  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{q}^* = 2$ , and  $\mathbf{p} = 2$ ,  $\mathbf{r} = 1$  (for the  $L^\infty$ -part), and  $\mathbf{p} = 6/(3+4s)$ ,  $\mathbf{r} = 3/(3-2s)$  (for the  $L^t$ -part).

Then  $\mathbf{p}^{-1} + \mathbf{q}^{-1} + \mathbf{r}^{-1} = 2$ ,  $\mathbf{p} \in [1, \infty)$ ,  $\mathbf{q} > 1$ ,  $\mathbf{r} \in [1, \infty)$ , and  $\mathbf{q}^{-1} + \mathbf{q}^{*-1} = 1$ . This gives that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Phi D^\beta E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}[\eta_j V \varphi]\|_2 &\leq \|\Phi D^\beta E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} \eta_j\|_{\mathcal{B}_{\mathbf{p},2}} \|V \varphi\|_{\mathbf{p}} \\ &\leq c_s(\mathbf{r}) \beta! \left( \frac{8}{\epsilon(j+1/4)} \right)^{|\beta|} (\epsilon(j+1/4))^{3/\mathbf{r}-3+2s} \times \\ &\quad \times [\mathbf{r}(|\beta| + 3 - 2s) - 3]^{-1/\mathbf{r}} \|V \varphi\|_{\mathbf{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

As before, we used that  $\|\Phi\|_\infty = \|\eta_j\|_\infty = 1$ . The same estimate holds for  $\tilde{E}_{1/2,0}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}$ . Note that

$$\beta! \left( \frac{8}{j+1/4} \right)^{|\beta|} \leq 32^{|\beta|} \frac{|\beta|!}{(j+1)^{|\beta|}} = 32^{|\beta|} \frac{(j+1)!}{(j+1)^{j+1}} \leq 32^{|\beta|}. \quad (29)$$

Since  $\epsilon(j+1) \leq R/2 < 1$  and  $3/\mathbf{r} - 3 + 2s \geq 0$  (in both cases), it follows that  $(\epsilon(j+1/4))^{3/\mathbf{r}-3+2s} \leq 1$ . Also, since  $|\beta| = j+1 \geq 2$ ,  $\mathbf{r} \geq 1$ , we have  $\mathbf{r}(|\beta| + 3 - 2s) - 3 \geq 2 - 2s > 0$ , hence  $[\mathbf{r}(|\beta| + 3 - 2s) - 3]^{-1/\mathbf{r}} \leq (2 - 2s)^{-1/\mathbf{r}}$ . It follows that (also for  $\tilde{E}_{1/2,0}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}$ )

$$\|\Phi D^\beta E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} \eta_j V\|_2 \leq \frac{c_s(\mathbf{r})}{(2-2s)^{1/\mathbf{r}}} \left( \frac{32}{\epsilon} \right)^{|\beta|} \|V \varphi\|_{\mathbf{p}}. \quad (30)$$

It remains to note that, using the stated conditions on  $t$  (see (3)), Sobolev embedding (for  $\varphi \in H^{2s}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ ), and Hölder's inequality, one has (in all cases),  $\|V \varphi\|_{\mathbf{p}} < \infty$ , for the stated choices of  $\mathbf{p}$ . Hence, choosing  $B > 32$  and  $C \geq 3c_s(\mathbf{r})(2-2s)^{-1/\mathbf{r}} \|V \varphi\|_{\mathbf{p}}$  (recall that  $|\beta| = j+1$ ),

$$\|\Phi D^\beta E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} \eta_j V\|_2 \leq \frac{C}{3} \left( \frac{B}{\epsilon} \right)^{j+1}. \quad (31)$$

The same holds for  $\tilde{E}_{1/2,0}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}$ .

The estimate (11) now follows from (12) and the estimates (25), (26), and (31). Note: This argument ('The last term in (12)') works for  $E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}$  for all  $s \in (0, 1)$ ,  $m > 0$  (with the same condition on  $V$  when  $s \in (0, 1/2)$  as for  $s \in [1/2, 3/4)$ ).

□

## APPENDIX A. LEMMATA FROM [1]

Recall (see (10)) that we have chosen a function  $\Phi$  (depending on  $j$ ) satisfying

$$\Phi \in C_0^\infty(\omega_{\epsilon(j+3/4)}), \quad 0 \leq \Phi \leq 1, \quad \text{with } \Phi \equiv 1 \text{ on } \omega_{\epsilon(j+1)}. \quad (32)$$

For  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  we choose functions  $\{\chi_k\}_{k=0}^j$ , and  $\{\eta_k\}_{k=0}^j$  (all depending on  $j$ ) with the following properties (for an illustration, see [1, Figures 1 and 2]). The functions  $\{\chi_k\}_{k=0}^j$  are such that

$$\chi_0 \in C_0^\infty(\omega_{\epsilon(j+1/4)}) \quad \text{with} \quad \chi_0 \equiv 1 \quad \text{on} \quad \omega_{\epsilon(j+1/2)},$$

and, for  $k = 1, \dots, j$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_k &\in C_0^\infty(\omega_{\epsilon(j-k+1/4)}) \\ \text{with } \begin{cases} \chi_k \equiv 1 & \text{on } \omega_{\epsilon(j-k+1/2)} \setminus \omega_{\epsilon(j-k+1/4)}, \\ \chi_k \equiv 0 & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus (\omega_{\epsilon(j-k+1/4)} \setminus \omega_{\epsilon(j-k+1/2)}). \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Finally, the functions  $\{\eta_k\}_{k=0}^j$  are such that for  $k = 0, \dots, j$ ,

$$\eta_k \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^3) \quad \text{with} \quad \begin{cases} \eta_k \equiv 1 & \text{on } \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \omega_{\epsilon(j-k+1/4)}, \\ \eta_k \equiv 0 & \text{on } \omega_{\epsilon(j-k+1/2)}. \end{cases}$$

Moreover we ask that

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_0 + \eta_0 &\equiv 1 && \text{on } \mathbb{R}^3, \\ \chi_k + \eta_k &\equiv 1 && \text{on } \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \omega_{\epsilon(j-k+1/4)} \text{ for } k = 1, \dots, j, \\ \eta_k &\equiv \chi_{k+1} + \eta_{k+1} && \text{on } \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ for } k = 0, \dots, j-1. \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

Lastly, we choose these localization functions such that, for a constant  $C_* > 0$  (independent of  $\epsilon, k, j, \beta$ ) and for all  $\beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^3$  with  $|\beta| = 1$ , we have that

$$|D^\beta \chi_k(\mathbf{x})| \leq \frac{C_*}{\epsilon} \quad \text{and} \quad |D^\beta \eta_k(\mathbf{x})| \leq \frac{C_*}{\epsilon}, \quad (34)$$

for  $k = 0, \dots, j$ , and all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .

The next lemma shows how to use these localization functions.

**Lemma A.1.** *For  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  fixed, choose functions  $\{\chi_k\}_{k=0}^j$ , and  $\{\eta_k\}_{k=0}^j$  as above, and let  $\sigma \in \mathbb{N}_0^3$  with  $|\sigma| = j$ . For  $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $\ell \leq j$ , choose multiindices  $\{\beta_k\}_{k=0}^\ell$  such that:*

$$|\beta_k| = k \text{ for } k = 0, \dots, \ell, \quad \beta_{k-1} < \beta_k \text{ for } k = 1, \dots, \ell, \quad \text{and} \quad \beta_\ell \leq \sigma.$$



Then for all  $g \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^3)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} D^\sigma g &= \sum_{k=0}^{\ell} D^{\beta_k} \chi_k D^{\sigma-\beta_k} g \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=0}^{\ell-1} D^{\beta_k} [\eta_k, D^{\mu_k}] D^{\sigma-\beta_{k+1}} g + D^{\beta_\ell} \eta_\ell D^{\sigma-\beta_\ell} g, \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

with  $\mu_k = \beta_{k+1} - \beta_k$  for  $k = 0, \dots, \ell - 1$  (hence,  $|\mu_k| = 1$ ).

For a proof, see [1, Lemma B.1].

For  $\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q} \in [1, \infty]$ , denote by  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{B}_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}}}$  the operator norm on bounded operators from  $L^{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbb{R}^3)$  to  $L^{\mathbf{q}}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ .

**Lemma A.2.** For  $s \in (0, 1)$ ,  $m > 0$ , let  $E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} = (-\Delta + m)^{-s}$ . For all  $\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{r} \in [1, \infty)$ ,  $\mathbf{q} \in (1, \infty)$ , with  $\mathbf{p}^{-1} + \mathbf{q}^{-1} + \mathbf{r}^{-1} = 2$ , all  $\beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^3$  (with  $|\beta| > 1$  if  $\mathbf{r} = 1$ ), and all  $\Phi, \chi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^3) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^3)$  with

$$\text{dist}(\text{supp}(\chi), \text{supp}(\Phi)) \geq d, \quad (36)$$

the operator  $\Phi E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D^\beta \chi$  is bounded from  $L^{\mathbf{p}}(\mathbb{R}^3)$  to  $(L^{\mathbf{q}}(\mathbb{R}^3))' = L^{\mathbf{q}^*}(\mathbb{R}^3)$  (with  $\mathbf{q}^{-1} + \mathbf{q}^{*-1} = 1$ ), and

$$\begin{aligned} &\|\Phi E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D^\beta \chi\|_{\mathcal{B}_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}^*}} \\ &\leq c_s(\mathbf{r}) \beta! \left(\frac{8}{d}\right)^{|\beta|} d^{3/\mathbf{r}-3+2s} (\mathbf{r}(|\beta| + 3 - 2s) - 3)^{-1/\mathbf{r}} \|\Phi\|_\infty \|\chi\|_\infty. \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

In particular, (when  $\mathbf{r} = 1$ , i.e.,  $\mathbf{q}^* = \mathbf{p}$ ),

$$\|\Phi E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} D^\beta \chi\|_{\mathcal{B}_{\mathbf{p}}} \leq c_s \frac{\beta! d^{2s}}{|\beta| - 2s} \left(\frac{8}{d}\right)^{|\beta|} \|\Phi\|_\infty \|\chi\|_\infty, \quad (38)$$

for all  $\beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^3$  with  $|\beta| > 1$ .

The operator  $\tilde{E}_{1/2,0}(\mathbf{p})^{-1} := (|\mathbf{p}| + 1)^{-1}$  satisfies the estimates (37) and (38) with  $s = 1/2$ .

For a proof, see [1, Lemma C.2], which is for  $s = 1/2, m > 0$ . This proof works, mutatis mutandis, also for general  $E_{s,m}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}$ , noticing that a formula similar to [1, (C.5)] holds for all  $s \in (0, 1)$ . For  $\tilde{E}_{1/2,0}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}$ , one uses

$$\tilde{E}_{1/2,0}(\mathbf{p})^{-1}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-t|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}|}}{|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y}|^2} \frac{t \, dt}{(t^2 + 1)^2}, \quad (39)$$

which follows from  $(x+1)^{-1} = \int_0^\infty e^{-tx} e^{-t} dt$ , and the explicit expression for the heat kernel of  $|\mathbf{p}|$  (see [4, Section 7.11]). Also, one needs

the estimate

$$\left| \partial_{\mathbf{x}}^{\beta} \frac{e^{-t|\mathbf{x}|}}{|\mathbf{x}|^2} \right| \leq \frac{2\beta!}{|\mathbf{x}|^2} \left( \frac{8}{|\mathbf{x}|} \right)^{|\beta|} e^{-t|\mathbf{x}|/2} \quad \text{for all } t > 0, \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\}, \beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^3, \quad (40)$$

which follows as in [1, Lemma C.3 (C.9)].

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